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OF: Masaaki HARASAWA et al.

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TRANSMITTED HEREWITH IS A RESPONSE TO THE ELECTION REQUIREMENT OF OCTOBER 17, 2003 IN THE ABOVE IDENTIFIED PATENT APPLICATION COMPRISING \_\_ PAGES. A TERM EXTENSION REQUEST AND FORM PTO-2038 ARE ENCLOSED. AN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND FORM PTO-1449 ARE ENCLOSED (WITH COPIES OF 14 REFERENCES).

AN ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE IS REQUIRED, AS SHOWN BELOW.

CLAIMS RE- MAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY	OR	LARGE ENTITY	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL:23	MINUS:20	3	X=\$		X=\$18.00	=\$54.00
INDEP: 2	MINUS: 3	0	x=\$		x=\$ 0	=\$ 0
					TOTAL ADDITION. FEE DUE:	=\$54.00

The <u>enclosed Form PTO-2038</u> covers the <u>Term Extension Request</u>, the <u>extra claim fee</u>, as well as the <u>fee for late filing of an Information Disclosure Statement</u>.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING:

I hereby certify that this correspondence with all indicated enclosures is being deposited with the U. S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail, in an envelope addressed to: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

Name: Walter F. Fasse - Date: December 17, 2003

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Dear Sir:

The period for reply to the Election Requirement of October 17, 2003 has been extended with the enclosed one month Term Extension Request and fee payment (Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038).

Please amend the above identified application as follows.

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